

BIRD NOTES FOR MAY.

During the month of May many of our most beautiful birds make their first appearance ; the warblers, especially in the early part of the month, arriving in considerable numbers and variety. Those birds which come in the early spring have made their nests and are now busy rearing their young, and in some cases the latter have already flown. Mr. White reports that the young of the robin and the purple grackle were able to fly on the 29th, and young tree swallows, golden-winged wood-peckers, and blue-birds would probably leave the nests a few days later. Forty-one different species of birds have been observed this month :

White-crowned Sparrow—One seen by Professor Macoun on the 3rd. The next record is the 9th, when it was seen by Miss Harmer ; it also appeared in flocks at the Experimental Farm on that date. Mr. Kingston saw it first on the 10th and last on the 16th.

Purple Martin—Mr. Kingston, whose report was received too late for the last number, saw this bird on the 24th of April. It was next seen by Mr. Lees and Mr. White on the 3rd.

Wild Goose—Miss Harmer reports this bird as being still here on the 3rd.

Least Fly-catcher—Seen by Mr. Lees on the 6th.

Pied-billed Grebe—Seen by Mr. White on the 8th.

Wilson's Snipe—Seen by Mr. White on the 8th.

King-bird—Seen by Mr. Kingston on the 9th and by Mr. White on the 10th.

Summer Warbler—Miss Harmer, Mr. White, and Mr. Macoun saw this bird on the 9th, and Mr. Lees on the 10th.

Black and White Warbler—Seen by Mr. Kingston and Mr. Macoun on the 9th and by Mr. White on the 10th.

Rose-breasted Grosbeak—Seen by Mr. Kingston on the 9th.

Broad-winged Hawk—Seen by Mr. White on the 9th. Mr.